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SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Please add new claim 35, to read as follows:

35. (New) A method according to claim 1, wherein any financial information that may be in the data set is not limited to that of a particular banking or financial institution.

REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request entry of a preliminary amendment to the claims to add new claim 35, which specifies that any financial information that may be in the data set is not limited to that of a particular banking or financial institution. Support for this claim exists, for example, in claim 1 as originally filed and in the application, page 11, lines 1-3 (personal information is obtained from the user in an enrollment phase); and page 3, line 26 to page 4, line 6. The latter passage makes clear that "personal"

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